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COUNTRY East Germany

REPORT

TOPIC Neubrandenburg-Trollenhagen Airfield

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EVALUATION

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DATE OF CONTENT

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DATE PREPARED 16 October 1953

REFERENCES

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REMARKS

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1. The following air activity was observed in the vicinity of Neubrandenburg-Trollenhagen airfield between 1 and 24 September 1953:

1 September. In the morning, two twin-engine transport aircraft made local flights. Two MiG-15s were seen aloft south of the field. Later, 2 MiG-15s practiced firing at an air sleeve south of the field.

2 September. In the morning, MiG-15s made local flights, 6 MiG-15s landed and 4 MiG-15s took off. In the afternoon, the take-off of 2 MiG-15s was observed. MiG-15s made formation flights in elements of twos over the field. Eight MiG-15s crossed over the field and a twin-engine monoplane took off and headed toward the south.

4 September. Between noon and 2 p.m., a twin-engine monoplane flew wide circles over the field.

5 to 7 September. Twin-engine monoplanes made local flights.

8 September. At 11:45 a.m., a twin-engine monoplane took off and headed toward the south.

15 September. At 8:15 a.m., 4 MiG-15s approached the field and then changed their direction while over the field.

16 September. Between 9 a.m. and 10 a.m., 12 MiG-15s successively crossed over the field flying toward the north.

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17 September. In the morning, one twin-engine monoplane [redacted] landed, coming from the south. Later, another twin-engine monoplane [redacted] landed coming from the same direction. In the afternoon, [redacted] took off toward south. Six MiG-15s approached from the south, changed directions and headed west over the field.

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22 and 23 September. Throughout the day MiG-15s performed aerobatics at very high altitudes.

24 September. Between 10:45 a.m. and 11 a.m., 2 MiG-15s practiced air fighting over the field. At 5:30 p.m., one twin-engine monoplane took off.

2. On 24 September, all Soviet personnel in the Neubrandenburg area, except for the air force personnel from Trollenhagen, were restricted to quarters.

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3. At 5 p.m., on 18 September, no aircraft was observed at the field. About 5:30 p.m. on 22 September, 15 to 20 jet fighters were seen at a low altitude over the town of Neubrandenburg flying toward the field. There were no indications that the aircraft were going to land and, at 6:30 p.m., no aircraft were parked and no lights were in operation at the field.

Comment. The present occupation of Neubrandenburg airfield is not known. Although two shipments dispatched to the field on 29 August, including one of 34 cars carrying troops and one of 9 tank cars, and the ordered increase of bread deliveries after 1 September which were reported previously, indicate a possible retransfer of the fighter regiment which in mid-May 1953 moved from Neubrandenburg to Puetznitz. The present report, however, does not indicate an occupation of the field by the regiment. It does appear that ground personnel are stationed at the field, but the aircraft which were observed, are not stationed there. The presence of the twin-engine monoplanes which was repeatedly observed cannot at this time be accounted for.

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